

In the Specification:

Please make the following changes in the indicated specification paragraphs and sections:

Page 11, line 21, to page 12, line 3:

A glass-metal transitional element 5 is attached on the free front end of the sleeve tube 2. The glass-metal transitional element 5 has a radially inwardly pointing collar 6. The expansion compensation device 10 in the form of a folding bellows 11 is arranged in an annular space 4 between the sleeve tube 2 and the metal pipe 3. The outer end 13 of the folding bellows 11 is attached to the collar 6 of the glass-metal transitional element 5 ~~with its outside ends 13.~~

Page 12, line 4, to page 12, line 9:

The folding bellows 11 extends adjacent ~~under~~ the glass-metal transitional element 5 and into the annular space 4. The inner end 12 of the folding bellows 11, which is opposite from the outer end 13, is attached ~~at its opposite end~~ to a connecting element 15, which has a circular disk 16 for this purpose. This circular disk 16 goes or changes over into a conical section 17 at its inner edge, which extends into a first circular space 8 between the folding bellows 11 and the metal pipe 3.

Page 13, lines 1 to 12:

In Figure 2 an additional embodiment is illustrated, in which the folding bellows 11 is similarly arranged in the annular space 4 between the sleeve tube 2 and the metal pipe 3. The sleeve tube 2 has a glass-metal transitional element 5 with a radially outwardly directed collar 7, to which the attaching collar 19 of the connecting element 15' is attached. The connecting element 15' extends through the second circular space 9, which is formed between the folding bellows 11 and the sleeve tube 2 and/or the glass-metal transitional element 5. Since a reflection does not occur in this region, the central section of the connecting element is formed as a cylindrical section 18, which goes over at its interior end into the circular disk 16, which is attached to the folding bellows 11. The outer end 13 of the bellows 11 is connected to the central metal pipe 3 by means of fastening element 14 in the embodiment shown in fig. 2. In this case the interior of the folding bellows 11 is provided at least partially with a mirror surface.